

Easter Y. Shafer to be postmaster at Rupert, W. Va. Office became Presidential July 1, 1938.

Harvey Fortney to be postmaster at Worthington, W. Va. Office became Presidential July 1, 1938.

WISCONSIN

Opal R. Parent to be postmaster at Cable, Wis., in place of O. R. Parent. Incumbent's commission expired June 15, 1938.

Margaret E. Ingham to be postmaster at Lynxville, Wis. Office became Presidential July 1, 1938.

Henry Stanke to be postmaster at Marathon, Wis., in place of Henry Stanke. Incumbent's commission expired June 12, 1938.

Gustav A. Prenzlöw to be postmaster at Mattoon, Wis., in place of G. A. Prenzlöw. Incumbent's commission expired June 15, 1938.

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate February 13, 1939

MISSISSIPPI RIVER COMMISSION

Col. Roger G. Powell to be a member of the Mississippi River Commission.

COAST GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES

Robert L. Blanchett to be chief carpenter in the Coast Guard of the United States.

Quentin M. Greeley to be lieutenant in the Coast Guard of the United States.

COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

William Clarence Russell to be junior hydrographic and geodetic engineer (with relative rank of lieutenant, junior grade, in the Navy) in the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Junius Thomas Jarman to be junior hydrographic and geodetic engineer (with relative rank of lieutenant, junior grade, in the Navy) in the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

William Murel Gibson to be hydrographic and geodetic engineer (with relative rank of lieutenant in the Navy) in the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Ralph Leslie Pfau to be hydrographic and geodetic engineer (with relative rank of lieutenant in the Navy) in the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

APPOINTMENTS IN THE REGULAR ARMY

Walter Krueger to be major general.

James Lawton Collins to be brigadier general.

Sanderford Jarman to be brigadier general.

George Howard Brett to be assistant to the Chief of the Air Corps with the rank of brigadier general.

APPOINTMENTS TO TEMPORARY RANK IN THE AIR CORPS, REGULAR ARMY

Delos Carleton Emmons to be commanding general, General Headquarters Air Force, with the rank of major general.

Donald Reuben Goodrich to be major, Air Corps.

APPOINTMENTS, BY TRANSFER, IN THE REGULAR ARMY

Maj. Frank Leslie Carr to Quartermaster Corps.

Second Lt. Wilmer Charles Landry to Quartermaster Corps.

Second Lt. Andrew Olaf Lerche to Air Corps.

Maj. William Edwin Barott to Quartermaster Corps.

First Lt. Raymond Clarence Adkisson to Cavalry.

PROMOTIONS IN THE REGULAR ARMY

Charles McHenry Steese to be colonel, Ordnance Department.

Richard Ferguson Cox to be colonel, Coast Artillery Corps.

James Luke Frink to be colonel, Quartermaster Corps.

Creswell Garlington to be colonel, Corps of Engineers.

Beverly Charles Dunn to be colonel, Corps of Engineers.

Roscius Harlow Back to be lieutenant colonel, Infantry.

Edward Fondren Shafer to be lieutenant colonel, Cavalry.

George Morris Peabody, Jr., to be lieutenant colonel, Adjutant General's Department.

Richard Gentry Tindall to be lieutenant colonel, Infantry.

William Joseph Adlington to be lieutenant colonel, Dental Corps.

Graham Wallace Lester to be lieutenant colonel, Infantry.

Warren Hayford, 3d, to be major, Field Artillery.

Charles Weess Hanna to be major, Infantry.

William Lawrence Kay, Jr., to be major, Field Artillery.

Harry Marten Schwarze to be major, Field Artillery.

Philip Wallace Ricamore to be major, Infantry.

Benjamin Kenney Erdman to be major, Infantry.

Santino Joseph Lerro to be captain, Medical Corps.

Charles Olin Bruce, Jr., to be captain, Medical Corps.

Louis Curtis Tiernan to be chaplain with the rank of major.

John Kenneth Connelly to be chaplain with the rank of captain.

APPOINTMENT IN THE NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES

Irving Andrew Fish to be major general, National Guard of the United States.

APPOINTMENTS IN THE NAVY

MARINE CORPS

Col. Edward A. Ostermann to be Adjutant and Inspector of the Marine Corps with the rank of brigadier general.

Emile P. Moses to be brigadier general.

Clayton B. Vogel to be brigadier general.

POSTMASTERS

ILLINOIS

Fred G. Falkenheim, Baldwin.

Hilda Luehr, Campbell Hill.

Rosana Levitt, Villa Ridge.

Charles Clifford Tobey, Worth.

OKLAHOMA

Osie Ellison, Warner.

PENNSYLVANIA

S. Richard Hazelton, Greentown.

William McWilliams, Murrysburg.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1939

The House met at 12 o'clock noon.

The Chaplain, Rev. James Shera Montgomery, D. D., offered the following prayer:

Most compassionate God, our Heavenly Father, enable us to walk in the old way, the everlasting way of a living faith. Let these moments be Thy silence; may they arrest our souls. The world is saddened because of the death of him who was the spiritual leader of an earth-wide church. Mankind finds a common ground in its great loss and sorrow. Calm and serene, his last breath bore the gentle touch of peace. He wore the garment of our Saviour's spirit. He will continue to weave it by the light of eternity as he did by the light of time. We praise Thee, Almighty God, for the abiding inheritance he has left to the boundless races of men. While the earth was struggling in the turbulent sea of the cursed depths of war, he stood amid the storm. While it was engulfed in the furnace of bitter hate, he rested his spiritual eye on the seamless robe and the spotless vestment. We thank Thee that Thy messenger marked the star in the darkness and hailed the dove in the deluge. He stretched forth his hands, clinging to the cross, and yearned for the brotherhood of man. We beseech Thee that Thy spirit may brood and have sway over bruised and troubled humanity; thus may it be brought back to God. In the name of the Prince of Peace. Amen.

The Journal of the proceedings of Thursday, February 9, 1939, was read and approved.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted as follows:

To Mr. FERNANDEZ, for 2 weeks, on account of important business.

To Mr. MACIEJEWSKI, indefinitely, on account of death in his family.

POPE PIUS XI

Mr. SHANLEY. Mr. Speaker, I offer the following resolution, which I send to the desk and ask to have read.

The Clerk read as follows:

House Resolution 91

Resolved, That the House of Representatives of the United States has learned with the profoundest of sorrow and shock of the death of His Holiness Pope Pius XI, supreme spiritual sovereign of the Roman Catholic Church and Sovereign of the State of Vatican City. It sympathizes with the millions of Roman Catholics throughout the world on the loss of this outstanding leader of Catholicism who effected superlative gains in his own religious endeavors, who exerted the most challenging and sincere efforts for world peace, who manifested the broadest tolerance toward all nations and creeds, and who pleaded for the protection of oppressed minorities; and,

That the President of the United States be requested to communicate this expression of sentiment to the secretary of state at the Vatican, and that, as a mark of further respect to the memory of Pope Pius, the House do now adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. The question is on agreeing to the resolution.

The resolution was agreed to; accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 9 minutes p. m.) the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, February 14, 1939, at 12 o'clock noon.

COMMITTEE HEARINGS

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Public hearings will continue Tuesday, February 14, 1939, at 10 a. m., on social-security legislation, in the Ways and Means Committee room in the New House Office Building, Washington, D. C.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

There will be a meeting of the Committee on Foreign Affairs in the committee rooms in the Capitol, Wednesday, February 15, 1939, at 10 a. m., for the consideration of H. R. 3655—classification and grading of Foreign Service personnel.

COMMITTEE ON INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE

There will be a meeting of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce at 10 a. m. Tuesday, February 14, 1939. Business to be considered: Continuation of hearing on H. R. 2531—transportation bill. A representative of the American Trucking Association will be the witness.

COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION

There will be a meeting of the Committee on Immigration and Naturalization in room 446, House Office Building, Wednesday, February 15, 1939, for the public consideration of bills H. R. 805 and H. R. 2846.

COMMITTEE ON MERCHANT MARINE AND FISHERIES

The Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries will hold a public hearing in room 219, House Office Building, Washington, D. C., at 10 a. m. Tuesday, February 21, 1939, on the bill (H. R. 3576) to make effective the provisions of the Officers' Competency Certificates Convention, 1936.

It is contemplated that the hearing on Tuesday, February 21, 1939, on H. R. 3576 will deal particularly with legislation necessary to make effective the provisions of the treaty and problems arising in connection with the provisions of the treaty.

The Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries will hold public hearings in room 219, House Office Building, Washington, D. C., at 10 a. m., on the bills and dates listed below:

Tuesday, March 14, 1939:

H. R. 180, H. R. 202, construction of a Nicaraguan Canal; H. R. 201, additional facilities for Panama Canal; H. R. 2667, construction of a Mexican Canal.

In listing the bills to be heard on March 14, 1939, House Joint Resolution 112 (TINKHAM), to create a commission to

study and report on the feasibility of constructing the Mexican Canal, was inadvertently omitted from the notice.

This is to advise all interested parties that House Joint Resolution 112 will be considered at that time with the following bills: H. R. 180 (IZAC), relative to the construction of a Nicaraguan Canal; H. R. 202 (BLAND), relative to the construction of a Nicaraguan Canal; H. R. 201 (BLAND), need for additional lock facilities at Panama; H. R. 2667 (TINKHAM), relative to the construction of a Mexican Canal.

Tuesday, March 21, 1939:

H. R. 137, H. R. 980, H. R. 1674, relating to annuities for Panama Canal construction force.

Thursday, March 23, 1939:

H. R. 139, H. R. 141, H. R. 142, H. R. 1819, miscellaneous Panama Canal bills.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

410. A letter from the Attorney General of the United States transmitting one copy of legislation passed by the Municipal Council of St. Thomas and St. John and approved by the Governor of the Virgin Islands; to the Committee on Insular Affairs.

410. A letter from the Attorney General of the United States, transmitting the draft of a proposed bill to make the provisions of the Employees' Compensation Act applicable to civil officers of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

411. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Interior, transmitting the draft of a proposed bill to authorize an appropriation to pay non-Indian claimants whose claims have been extinguished under the act of June 7, 1924, but who have been found entitled to awards under said act as supplemented by the act of May 31, 1933; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

412. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Interior, transmitting one copy of legislation passed by the Municipal Council of St. Croix and approved by the Governor of the Virgin Islands; to the Committee on Insular Affairs.

413. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Interior, transmitting the draft of proposed legislation to repeal section 9 of the act of March 3, 1875 (18 Stat. L. 450), as amended; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

414. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Interior, transmitting one copy of legislation passed by the Municipal Council of St. Croix and approved by the Governor of the Virgin Islands; to the Committee on Insular Affairs.

415. A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting the draft of a proposed bill to amend an act entitled "An act for making further and more effectual provision for the national defense, and for other purposes," approved June 3, 1916, as amended by the act of June 4, 1920; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

416. A letter from the Secretary of Prison Industries, transmitting the annual report of the board of directors of the Federal Prison Industries, Inc., for the fiscal year 1938; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII,

Mr. GOLDSBOROUGH: Committee on Banking and Currency. H. R. 4011. A bill to continue the functions of the Commodity Credit Corporation and the Export-Import Bank of Washington, and for other purposes; without amendment (Rept. No. 38). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GOLDSBOROUGH: Committee on Banking and Currency. H. R. 4012. A bill to continue the functions of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, and for other purposes; without amendment (Rept. No. 39). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

CHANGE OF REFERENCE

Under clause 2 of Rule XXII, committees were discharged from the consideration of the following bills, which were referred as follows:

A bill (H. R. 664) granting an increase of pension to James W. Taylor; Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 820) granting an increase of pension to John W. Zibble; Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 1512) to carry into effect the findings of the Court of Claims, House Document No. 230, Sixty-fourth Congress, first session, in the matter of compensation due the estate of Wellborn Echols, deceased; Committee on War Claims discharged, and referred to the Committee on Claims.

A bill (H. R. 1513) granting an increase of pension to Van Letsinger; Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 1851) granting World War veterans' compensation to John Paszczuk; Committee on War Claims discharged, and referred to the Committee on World War Veterans' Legislation.

A bill (H. R. 2242) granting a pension to Harley D. Peck; Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 2369) granting a pension to Jethro H. Midgett; Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 3011) granting an increase of pension to Virgil O. Adams; Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 3433) granting an increase of pension to Guss Hughes; Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 3434) granting an increase of pension to Benjamin F. Shelton; Committee on Pensions discharged, and referred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

A bill (H. R. 3716) for the relief of Dr. Henry Clay Risner; Committee on War Claims discharged, and referred to the Committee on World War Veterans' Legislation.

A bill (H. R. 3913) for the relief of John Angus MacDonald; Committee on Military Affairs discharged, and referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. BECKWORTH:

H. R. 4035. A bill to provide for grants to the States for assistance to needy incapacitated adults; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BOYKIN:

H. R. 4036. A bill to amend the act entitled "An act to regulate the importation of nursery stock and other plants and plant products; to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to establish and maintain quarantine districts for plant diseases and insect pests; to permit and regulate the movement of fruits, plants, and vegetables therefrom, and for other purposes," approved August 20, 1912 (37 Stat. 315); to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. BYRNS of Tennessee:

H. R. 4037. A bill to classify certain positions in the Railway Mail Service; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. CHANDLER:

H. R. 4038. A bill to amend section 373 of title 28 of the Code of Laws of the United States, to prescribe certain requirements for the official conduct of United States judges; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. R. 4039. A bill to create a Board of Shorthand Reporting, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. COX:

H. R. 4040. A bill declaring Devil's Den Springs, in Decatur County, Ga., to be nonnavigable; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. LEA:

H. R. 4041. A bill to amend the Interstate Commerce Act; and for other purposes; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. McCORMACK:

H. R. 4042. A bill to increase annual payments to State and Territorial homes for veterans; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. MOTT:

H. R. 4043. A bill authorizing the establishment of a Coast Guard station on the coast of Oregon at Depoe Bay, Oreg.; to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

By Mr. O'LEARY:

H. R. 4044. A bill to reduce the rate of interest on obligations of home owners to the Home Owners' Loan Corporation; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

By Mr. SCHULTE:

H. R. 4045. A bill for the improvement of Calumet-Sag Channel, Ill., and Indiana Harbor Canal, Ind.; to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

H. R. 4046. A bill to provide for the establishment of a Coast Guard station on the coast of Indiana on Lake Michigan; to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

By Mr. SECREST:

H. R. 4047. A bill to authorize the Secretary of War to reimburse the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District for lands, easements, and rights-of-way acquired for flood-control reservoirs in the Muskingum River Valley, Ohio; to the Committee on Flood Control.

By Mr. SMITH of Virginia:

H. R. 4048. A bill providing for a survey with preliminary estimates of cost for the proposed construction of railroad and automobile truck tunnels across the Potomac River; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. SUMNERS of Texas:

H. R. 4049. A bill to prohibit reproductions of official badges, identification cards, and other insignia; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SWEENEY:

H. R. 4050. A bill to provide for the transportation and distribution of mails on motor-vehicle routes; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. WALLGREN:

H. R. 4051. A bill to amend section 301 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936; to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

By Mr. CHANDLER:

H. R. 4052. A bill for the relief of the city of Memphis, Tenn.; to the Committee on Claims.

H. R. 4053. A bill for the relief of the county of Shelby in the State of Tennessee; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. FULMER:

H. R. 4054. A bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. BLAND:

H. J. Res. 163. Joint resolution providing for the participation of the United States in the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the opening of the Panama Canal; to the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

By Mr. CHANDLER:

H. J. Res. 164. Joint resolution authorizing the issuance of special postage stamps commemorative of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the formation of the Territory South of the River Ohio; to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads.

By Mr. DINGELL:

H. J. Res. 165. Joint resolution to authorize the admission into the United States of a limited number of German refugee children; to the Committee on Immigration and Naturalization.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XXII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

By the SPEAKER: Memorial of the Legislature of the State of Colorado, memorializing the President and the Congress of

the United States to consider their House Joint Memorial No. 4, with reference to General Welfare Act; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of North Dakota, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States to consider their Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 64, with reference to taxing of lands; to the Committee on the Public Lands.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, private bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. ANGELL:

H. R. 4055. A bill for the relief of the Castilloa Rubber Plantation Co.; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. ASHBROOK:

H. R. 4056. A bill granting an increase of pension to Mary E. Jones; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. CALDWELL:

H. R. 4057. A bill for the relief of the estate of Eula Lee Sunday; to the Committee on Claims.

H. R. 4058. A bill for the relief of Charles Hance; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. COLMER:

H. R. 4059. A bill for the relief of the Federal Credit Co.; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. COX:

H. R. 4060. A bill for the relief of J. D. McGee; to the Committee on Claims.

H. R. 4061. A bill for the relief of George Cravey; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

H. R. 4062. A bill for the relief of Clarendon Davis; to the Committee on Claims.

H. R. 4063. A bill to authorize the payment of adjusted-compensation benefits to the estate of Lula Brimm Horne; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. DOUGLAS:

H. R. 4064. A bill for the relief of Frederick A. Casler; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. DREWRY:

H. R. 4065. A bill granting a pension to George R. Slate; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. FITZPATRICK:

H. R. 4066. A bill for the relief of Josefina Alvarado; to the Committee on Immigration and Naturalization.

By Mr. HARNES:

H. R. 4067. A bill granting a pension to Cora E. Cate; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. IGLESIAS:

H. R. 4068. A bill for the relief of Mary Rose Williams, minor child of the deceased seaman Otis A. Williams; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. JENSEN:

H. R. 4069. A bill granting an increase of pension to Ellen Wornom; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. McCORMACK:

H. R. 4070. A bill for the relief of Thomas A. Rhodes; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. SMITH of Virginia:

H. R. 4071. A bill for the relief of H. Herfurth, Jr., Inc.; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. TERRY:

H. R. 4072. A bill for the relief of Emmitt Courtney; to the Committee on Claims.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

1030. By Mr. ANGELL: Petition of sundry citizens of Portland, Oreg., protesting against the lifting of the so-called Spanish embargo; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1031. By Mr. BLAND: Petition of 56 citizens, members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Poquoson, Va., urging passage of legislation to stop advertising campaign for

sale of alcoholic beverages; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

1032. By Mr. FULMER: Concurrent resolution, submitted by James E. Hunter, Jr., clerk, house of representatives, Columbia, S. C., memorializing Congress to provide funds for sudden destruction of agricultural crops; to the Committee on Agriculture.

1033. By Mr. HINSHAW: Petition from the First Congregational Church, Pasadena, Calif., signed by 126 persons, requesting shipments of war materials to Japan be stopped; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1034. By Mr. HARTER of New York: Petition of the J. W. Political and Social Club of Buffalo, N. Y.; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1035. Also, petition of certain users of bakers' goods; to the Committee on Agriculture.

1036. By Mr. HAWKS: Resolutions of the Wisconsin Policemen's Protective Association, urging support of the bill to prevent retroactive application of Federal taxes upon State and municipal employees; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1037. By Mr. HOUSTON: Petition of certain citizens of Andale, Kans., and vicinity, urging that as long as we shall adhere to the general policy of neutrality as enunciated in the act of August 31, 1935, to retain on our statute books the further and corollary principle enunciated in the act of May 1, 1937, extending the original act to include civil as well as international conflicts; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1038. By Mr. KEOGH: Petition of P. W. Dykeman, professor of music education, Teachers' College, Columbia University, New York, concerning the McGranery bill (H. R. 2319); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1039. Also, petition of Brooklyn Tuberculosis and Health Association of the Bureau of Charities, Brooklyn, N. Y., concerning the proposed amendment to title 5, part 4, of the Social Security Act; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1040. Also petition of the New York Typographical Union, No. 6, New York City, concerning the Hobbs bill (H. R. 2203); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1041. By Mr. LEWIS of Colorado: Senate Joint Memorial No. 5 of the Thirty-second General Assembly of the State of Colorado (the house of representatives concurring), concerning Coronado Cuarto Centennial Celebration; to the Committee on Appropriations.

1042. Also, House Joint Resolution No. 1 of the Thirty-second General Assembly of Colorado (the senate concurring), concerning increased grants-in-aid to the States for the purpose of assistance to aged persons in need; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1043. By Mr. MARTIN J. KENNEDY: Declaration and petition of the National Civic Federation of New York City to the Department of State, endorsing the stand taken against the expropriation by the Mexican Government, without probability of payment, of American-owned mining, oil, timber, fruit, and farm lands, factories, and other properties; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1044. Also, telegram from the Yorkville joint committee, New York City, requesting that the Senate Foreign Relations Committee recommend at once lifting of the embargo on Loyalist Spain and recommend ways and means to feed the Spanish people with America's surplus food and supply; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1045. By Mr. MARSHALL: Petition from the St. Columba Church, of Youngstown, Ohio, relative to retaining on our statute books the corollary principle enunciated in the act of May 1, 1937, as long as we adhere to the general policy of neutrality as enunciated in the act of August 31, 1935; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1046. By Mr. SCHIFFLER: Petition of D. L. Kelly and other prominent citizens of Wheeling, W. Va., urging that we adhere to the general policy of neutrality as enunciated in the act of August 31, 1935, to retain on our statute books the further and corollary principle enunciated in the act of May 1, 1937, extending the original act to include civil

as well as international conflicts; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1047. By Mr. PFEIFER: Petition of the Brooklyn Tuberculosis and Health Association, Bureau of Charities, Brooklyn, N. Y., urging support of proposed amendment to title 5, part 4, of the Social Security Act; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1048. Also, petition of the New York Typographical Union, No. 6, New York City, concerning House bill 2203; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1049. By Mr. SMITH of Ohio: Petition of William Short and others, petitioning the Congress to effect passage of the Townsend general welfare bill (H. R. 2) without compromise; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1050. By Mr. SMITH of West Virginia: Resolution of the Logan Coal Operators Association, of Logan, W. Va., favoring an increase in the import-duty tax on foreign oil; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1051. By Mr. TOLAN: Memorial of the Legislature of the State of California, urging the Congress to refuse to enact Senate Joint Resolution 24, or any other bill or resolution which may similarly seek to establish the asserted claim of the Federal Government to any title or interest in such submerged lands or tidelands of the State of California, other than such lands which may have been heretofore expressly granted it by this State or under its authority; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1052. Also, petition of the City Council of Berkeley, Calif., requesting that the Congress reject the doctrine embodied in Senate Joint Resolution 24, that the Federal Government may not attempt to proceed against the several States and assert title to submerged lands now adjacent to the shores of those several States; and authorizing the city manager of Berkeley, Calif., to appear before the committees of Congress and oppose such legislation; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1053. Also, memorial of the State Legislature of California, requesting the Congress of the United States take such steps as are necessary, and the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of Reclamation are requested, to name the lake which will result from the construction of Shasta Dam at Kennett, Calif., "McColl Lake"; to the Committee on Irrigation and Reclamation.

1054. Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of California, urging the Congress of the United States to amend the California Indian Jurisdictional Act of 1928 to provide for nontreaty Indians; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

1055. Also, memorial of the State Legislature of California to the Congress and the President, urging the passage of legislation that will make it imperative that the Works Progress Administration art project be continued in its present form; to the Committee on Appropriations.

1056. Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of California, urging Congress to enact legislation that will result in the increase of Federal aid to aged and disabled veterans; to the Committee on World War Veterans' Legislation.

1057. Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of California, urging the Congress to include the construction of dams and hydroelectric power plants in connection therewith on the Kern River as one of the Federal construction projects, and that Federal moneys be appropriated in sums sufficient to complete the constructions of the dams and other works therewith at the earliest possible moment; to the Committee on Irrigation and Reclamation.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1939

The House met at 12 o'clock noon.

The Chaplain, Rev. James Shera Montgomery, D. D., offered the following prayer:

God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause His face to shine upon us.

That Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise Thee, O God; let all the people praise Thee.

O let the nations be glad and sing for joy; for Thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise Thee, O God; let all the people praise Thee.

Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us.

God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was read and approved.

HOURLY MEETING

Mr. RAYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent, after consulting with the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. MARTIN], that when the House adjourns today it adjourn to meet at 11 o'clock tomorrow.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

Mr. MARTIN of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, and I am not going to object, I understand the majority leader wishes to finish this bill, that is now pending, on tomorrow night?

Mr. RAYBURN. That is the desire.

Mr. MARTIN of Massachusetts. And after that we are to take up the legislative appropriation bill and finish it this week?

Mr. RAYBURN. That is correct.

Mr. MARTIN of Massachusetts. Is there anything else on the docket?

Mr. RAYBURN. Nothing that I know of now.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

PERMISSION TO ADDRESS THE HOUSE

Mr. MARTIN of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to proceed for 2 minutes.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection?

There was no objection.

Mr. MARTIN of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, the untimely death of George R. Holmes, one of Washington's most distinguished newspapermen, came as a great shock to his many friends in his profession and in official and private life.

Mr. Holmes was stricken in the zenith of his life. Suffering a heart attack, he died at his home on February 12. True to the tenets of his profession, he had worked diligently to the end. He left his office but a few hours before his death.

It is a notable tribute to his talents and character that great and humble joined in a tribute to his memory in the Fort Myer Chapel and accompanied the body to its resting place near the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. It was fitting that he should lie in Arlington National Cemetery. He trained at Fort Myer for service in the World War.

The rise of George R. Holmes is typical of the success which is possible in a great democratic nation. Born on a farm in Tippecanoe County, Ind., on January 28, 1895, he knew the rigors of work in the fields and doubtless dreamed of great cities beyond the horizon.

After being educated in local schools and at the University of Wisconsin, he entered the newspaper field on the Indianapolis Sun. His talents readily became apparent, and soon he had transferred his activities to New York.

Joining the staff of International News Service in Washington in 1916, he became chief of the bureau 3 years later. At his death he ranked as dean of press association bureau chiefs.

His newspaper work was interrupted by the World War. When the war broke out, he enlisted in the Cavalry. He served throughout the war, first gaining the rank of second lieutenant in the Cavalry, next assistant adjutant of the Seventy-eighth Division, then as observer in the Two Hundred and Fifty-eighth Aero Squadron.